

**GD-SIS Annual Report, GD-SIS Annual Report, 2024-2025**  
**May 20, 2025**

The Government Documents Special Interest Section Board and its membership were active this year in a variety of areas. Officers for the year were Chair, Rebecca Chapman; Vice Chair, Holly Grimes; Past Chair, Stephen Parks; Secretary/Treasurer, Charlie Amiot; and Member at Large, Adam Anderson.

**Program Committee Report.** The program committee is tasked with producing and offering programming to the membership in the year. Specifically, this comes in the form of attempting to get a program accepted at AALL Annual Meeting each year. This year, we managed to get two programs accepted – a program on FDLP digital changes and its impacts across libraries, and an expanded topic on Government Information/Classification/FOIA requests. Next year’s possible programs are being considered and fleshed out. The program committee used its tasklist – with deliverables and timed due dates to maintain full completion of duties within required timelines. Committee Members: Holly Grimes, Chair; Cate Kellett; Melanie Sims.

**Advocacy Committee Report.** This year, the committee reached out to the Government Relations Committee to coordinate efforts on issues impacting government libraries and librarians. The committee liaised with GRC in October, January, and April to talk about issues. GRC requested that AALL produce an amicus brief in connection with the case brought by ALA against the Federal government’s attempts to defund and close IMLS. GD-SIS produced a similar request and awaits a definitive answer. The Board reviewed and approved the release and request. The Advocacy committee will continue to work with GRC in the coming year to watch issues and make clear what we want to advocate for amongst the various issues and bills in Congress. Rebecca Chapman, Marlene Harmon, and Julie Krishnaswami.

**FDLP Advisory Committee.** The FDLP Advisory Committee reported on a survey that focused on the changes occurring in the FDLP. A new survey may be needed in the next year or two to see how law libraries are dealing with the many changes that are coming for Government Documents. Plans to conduct further surveys this year were placed on hold while upheavals in government library and academic library spaces required immediate responses. Committee Members: Holly Grimes; Rich Leiter; Stephen Parks, Rob Mead, Marlene Harmon.

The Grants Committee sought applications for the 2025 Annual Meeting Grant and the Veronica Maclay Travel Grant. Four applications were received for the 2025 Annual Meeting Grant, and

no applications were received for the Veronica Maclay Travel Grant. The Committee selected the following recipients for the 2025 Annual Meeting Grant:

- Marcia Hannon, Assistant Director of the Supreme Court of Kansas Law Library.
- Yan Yu, Assistant Director for Tech Services at the Kresge Law Library, University of Notre Dame.

Plans for the 2025-2026 year include the 2026 Annual Meeting Grant, the Veronica Maclay Travel Grant, and the 2026 AALL Leadership Academy Grant. Committee Members: Keith Lacy; Georgia Chadwick; Stephen Parks.

JURISDOCS editor Charlie Amiot put out two issues this year.

Nominations Committee. The Nominations Committee worked closely with Charlie Amiot as Board Liaison. With two Board positions available, the committee members solicited nominations and contacted previous Chairs for recommendations of potential candidates. Upon the conclusion of the recruitment of nominations, the Committee met via zoom to discuss the proposed ballot. Upon the conclusion of the discussions, the committee forwarded to the Committee Liaison and SIS Chair (Rebecca Chapman) the names of the proposed candidates as follows:

Adam Anderson for Vice Chair/Chair-Elect

Patty Alwayay for Member At Large.

The Committee members thank the Board for the opportunity to serve and encourage SIS members to strongly to continue to be active members. Committee Members: Larry Meyer (Chair), Kate Irwin-Smiler, Jessica Mundy.

Publications Committee Report. Chair: Edward Hart; Members: Emily Carr; Jennifer Morgan. The Committee's task is soliciting and coordinating the compilation of state bibliographies. The current goal is to work with volunteers to update any bibliographies older than ten years. Our partnership with Hein as our distributor continues. We received the standard royalty of \$4,500 for our inclusion on HeinOnline of the state document bibliographies in the Spinelli's Law Librarian Reference Desk. There were not any print sales of the bibliographies during the period. During this year, we submitted updates for three states:

- Maryland
- Oregon
- Mississippi

We have a draft of the Connecticut update in progress as our first update of 2025 and enough commitments from our volunteers about submitting that we are confident that we will achieve the minimum three updates for 2025. Volunteers are working on updating bibliographies for future release for the following states:

- California
- Indiana
- Kansas
- Massachusetts
- New Jersey
- Oklahoma

- Pennsylvania
- Utah
- Virginia
- Washington, DC
- Wisconsin

We thank all the volunteer compilers for their efforts!

The Board hosted our Business Meeting at AALL virtually on May 20, 2025. The gavel passed and the new board will reconvene to discuss AALL and next year's activities.